



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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In accordance with notice to members of the Rhode Island Coastal Resources Management Council's Planning and Procedures subcommittee, a meeting of the subcommittee was held on Tuesday, October 21, 2008 at Coastal Resources Management Council, Stedman Government Center, 4808 Tower Hill Road, Wakefield, RI.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Paul Lemont, Vice Chair
Dave Abedon
Bruce Dawson
Don Gomez
Russ Chateaufneuf, DEM

STAFF PRESENT

Jeff Willis, Deputy Director
James Boyd, Coastal Policy Analyst
Laura Ricketson Dwyer, Public Ed/Outreach Coord
John Longo, Legal Counsel

OTHER ATTENDEES

Wendy Waller, Save the Bay
Ames Colt, Coordination Team
Allison Castellan, OCRM
Doug Groff

Call to Order. Mr. Lemont called the meeting to order at 8:39 a.m.

The Vice Chair thanked everyone for accommodating the change in venue and time of the meeting and expressed his appreciation for their commitment to the subcommittee.

The Vice Chair opened the meeting and asked for a motion to approve the September 16, 2008 meeting minutes.

Mr. Dawson seconded by Mr. Gomez moved to approve the meeting minutes of September 16, 2008. All voted in favor of the motion to approve. Mr. Chateaufneuf abstained.

Item 4.A. Greenwich Bay SAMP – Proposed Water Type Revisions. J. Boyd presented the proposed revisions to the waters in and around Chepiwanoxet Point and Baker's Creek, as detailed in October 17, 2008 memorandum (attached). J. Boyd noted that City of Warwick sought and supports such changes.

Mr. Gomez seconded by Mr. Dawson moved to approve the proposed revisions as presented. All voted in favor of the motion to approve.

Item 4.B. MetroBay SAMP – Proposed Hazards Chapter. J. Boyd presented the draft Hazards Chapter that has been vetted by the four communities and staff. He presented the involvement of the State Building Commissioners office, and the discussions on freeboard requirements. Also, detailed how these discussions will dovetail into Section 145 of the RICRMP. It was discussed by the subcommittee

that sea level is rising faster than previously believed – examples were given of the arctic ice shelf and the Greenland ice sheets melt rates. Jon Boothroyd, state geologist, provided updates for the draft chapter. Mr. Lemont questioned some data in the Project List section of the plan, as did Mr. Gomez, and staff will make appropriate revisions. Mr. Gomez asked staff to provide an executive summary.

Mr. Abedon seconded by Mr. Gomez moved to accept and begin rule-making for the draft Hazards chapter of the Metro Bay SAMP. All voted in favor of the motion to approve.

Item 5.A. Aquidneck Island SAMP – Workshop to Introduce the Draft Coastal Development

Regulations. J. Willis and J. Boyd presented the draft coastal development regulations for the AISAMP. Nine various public meetings and presentations have been held on the island between the three communities, with the latest held the previous week with the West Side Master plan proponents from the three communities. J. Boyd explained the excise process regarding Navy property. J. Willis and J. Boyd explained the CZM federal consistency process vis-à-vis possible requirements for development within the AISAMP. J. Boyd explained coastal development regulations for the SAMP and their similarity and differences with the Metro Bay SAMP's UCG regulations. Staff is seeking P&P subcommittee oversight to AI SAMP and attendance at workshop to formally unveil the coastal development regulations.

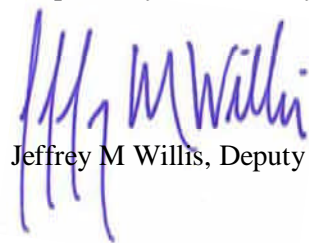
Mr. Gomez attended last week's presentation of the draft coastal development regulations and was impressed with the level of local and state cooperation as evidenced by the number of local officials at this meeting. Mr. Lemont noted that when developing SAMPs the CRMC has been very active in working cooperatively with local communities to accommodate their needs and logistics and offered that the subcommittee would welcome the opportunity to hold a dedicated meeting and workshop on the island to formally introduce the draft coastal development regulations.

Mr. Lemont asked when such a meeting might occur. Staff responded that the December 2008 subcommittee meeting is the most realistic opportunity to hold such a meeting. Hearing no objections, Mr. Lemont directed staff to coordinate with the local communities the schedules of the subcommittee members and hold such a meeting and workshop in December.

NEW BUSINESS. J. Willis noted that a possible near-future issue of discussion is the water type designations surrounding various small island complexes in the salt ponds.

ADJOURNMENT. Mr. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Abedon, moved to adjourn the subcommittee meeting. All voted in favor of the motion and the meeting was promptly adjourned at 9:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by



Jeffrey M Willis, Deputy Director